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Dear Sir:


Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant art along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Patent Abstract of Japan issued by the EPO for Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2001-025085 published on January 26, 2001;
- B. Patent Abstract of Japan issued by the EPO for Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 62-140600 published on June 24, 1987
- C. Patent Abstract of Japan issued by the EPO for Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 08-179786 published on July 12, 1996; and
- D. Patent Abstract of Japan issued by the EPO for Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 09-130900 published on May 16, 1997.

The above-listed prior art, A-D, are all cited in the European Search Report issued on December 16, 2005 to the EPC Application No. EP 03 25 6013 which is a counterpart application to the above-identified U.S. application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed. An entire copy of each one of the original publications of prior art A-D published by the Japanese Patent Office is enclosed.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the prosecution.

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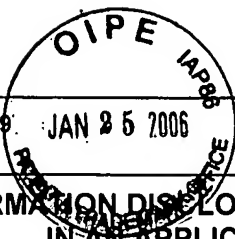
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